RESOLUTION NO. 2019-015

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO ACCEPT THE 2018-2019 VICTIMS OF CRIME ACT (VOCA) PASS-THROUGH GRANT AWARD AND AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF FLORIDA. DEPARTMENT OF LEGAL AFFAIRS, OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL. UNDER THEADMINISTRATION OF THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OFFICE FOR VICTIMS OF CRIME, AND THE CITY OF HIALEAH, AS PARTICIPATING AGENCY; TO ASSIST THE CITY IN THE PARTIAL FUNDING OF THE HIALEAH POLICE DEPARTMENT VICTIM ADVOCATE ASSISTANT POSITIONS TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO VICTIMS OF VIOLENT CRIME; ACCEPTING THE AWARD OF A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$126,515.00, RATIFYING THE GRANT APPLICATION, AGREEMENT, AND AWARD: **AUTHORIZING** THE **MAYOR** OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ALL **NECESSARY** DOCUMENT(S) **FURTHERANCE** INTHEREOF. WHICH IS ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF AS EXHIBIT "1", AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Hialeah desires to provide assistance to victims of domestic violence, homicide, sexual battery, child abuse, child sex abuse crimes, and elderly victimization that include: responding to the emotional and physical needs of victims, helping victims understand and participate in the criminal justice system, and to provide and ensure safety measures to victims; and

WHEREAS, the Hialeah Police Department recognizes that victims of violent crime suffer an immediate emotional and/or physical impact as victims of a violent crime and currently employs Victim Advocate Assistants to provide support services to these victims of violent crimes;

WHEREAS, the Hialeah Police Department is eligible, and has, received a pass-through grant award in the amount of \$126,515.00 agreement from the State of Florida, Department of Legal Affairs, Office of the Attorney General, under Administration of the U.S. Department of Justice Office for Victims of Crime, to assist with the partial funding of the Victim Advocate Assistant positions;

WHEREAS, the City of Hialeah finds it in the best interest of the community to accept and ratify the pass-through grant application, agreement, and award to partially fund the Victim Advocate Assistant positions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH, FLORIDA, THAT:

Section 1: The Mayor and City Council of the City of Hialeah, Florida hereby authorize the Mayor or his designee to ratify and accept a pass-through agreement and award from the State of Florida, Department of Legal Affairs, Office of the Attorney General, under Administration of the U.S. Department of Justice Office for Victims of Crime, in the amount of \$126,515.00, to assist the City in the partial funding of the Hialeah Police Department Victim Advocate Assistant positions to provide services to victims of violent crime, and further authorize the Mayor or his designee to execute all necessary documents in furtherance thereof.

Section 2: This resolution shall become effective when approved by majority vote of the City Council and signed by the Mayor or at the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting, if the Mayor's signature is withheld or if the City Council overrides the Mayor's veto.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 12 day of February , 2019.

Vivian Casals Muñoz Council President

Approved on this 19 day of February , 2019.

Marbelys Fatjo, City Clerk

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:

Resolution was adopted by a 6-0-1 vote with Councilmembers, Zogby, Lozano, Casáls-Munoz, Garcia-Martinez, Caragol and Hernandez, voting "Yes" and with Councilmember Cue-Fuente absent.

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